Dear Judge Daniels:

I am the defendant in the above-captioned proceeding and write to request an extension, from November 9 to December 7, of my deadline to move with respect to or answer the Complaint. The SEC has conveyed its consent, provided that the initial conference date is adjourned to a date after January 11. This is my first request for an extension of time to answer the Complaint.

I make the request in connection with my efforts to secure the appearance of counsel. I am attempting to engage counsel, the firm of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP (CL&M), but CL&M has not yet filed a notice of appearance because satisfactory arrangements have not yet been made for payment of its fees. The above-captioned action alleges securities violations in connection with my service as Chairman of General Employment Enterprises, Inc. ("GEE"). GEE and I are parties to an Indemnification Agreement. I have asked GEE to fulfill its contractual obligations under that agreement by advancing the funds necessary for me to engage CL&M. GEE has not yet agreed to do so, but through CL&M, I am actively engaged in discussions with GEE and its D&O carrier, Berkley Insurance Company, to secure my ability to obtain the appearance of counsel.

Very truly yours,

Stephen B. Pence

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